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For: SLIDING BEARING AND BEARING MECHANISM HAVING THE SAME

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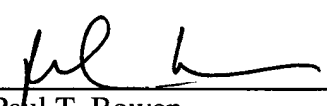
**SECOND STATUS INQUIRY**

A response to Notification of Missing Requirements was filed on December 2, 2003. In addition, a Status Inquiry was filed on February 22, 2005. An answer to that inquiry has not been received nor have Applicants received any Official Action from the Patent Office regarding the application. Inquiry is made as to when an Action will be forthcoming.

Respectfully submitted,

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